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Re:

Patent Application No. 09/755,204

Filed: January 4, 2001

Entitled" Method for Cloning Animals With Targeted Genetic Alterations By Transfer of Long-Term Cultured Male or Female Somatic Cell Nuclei, Comprising

Artifically-Induced Genetic Alterations to Enucleated Recipient Cells"

Inventors: Xiangzhong Yang and Chikara Kubota

Our Ref.: 59097US (30471)

Dear Examiner Woitach,

Kindly find attached our reply (Amendment) in reply to the Final Office Action dated November 15, 2004 and subsequent to an Advisory Action mailed March 2, 2005.

Please feel free to contact me at (203) 353-6848 should you have any questions.

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Docket No. 59097US (30471) (Patent)

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For: METHOD FOR CLONING ANIMALS WITH TARGETED GENETIC ALTERATIONS BY TRANSFER OF LONG-TERM CULTURED MALE OR FEMALE SOMATIC CELL NUCLEI, COMPRISING ARTIFICIALLY-INDUCED GENETIC ALTERATIONS, TO ENUCLEATED RECIPIENT CELLS

AMENDMENT: RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed subsequent to the Final Office Action dated November 15, 2004 and subsequent to an Advisory Action from the Examiner mailed March 2, 2005. The amendments filed January 4, 2005 in response to the Final Office Action were not entered and did not place the application in condition for allowance.

Applicants respectfully request Examiner's reconsideration of the application in view of the current amendments to the claims. Applicants believe they have addressed the issues raised in the Final Office Action and have made additional modifications to the claims in accordance with the remaining issues detailed in the Advisory Action.

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Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to respond, bringing the due date to March 15, 2005 which is within the six-month statutory period of time to respond. Please charge the required fee to Edwards & Angell LLP, Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this document.